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SENATE COMMITTEE SUBSTITUTE FOR

SENATE BILL NO. 1008

93RD GENERAL ASSEMBLY

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AN ACT

To amend chapter 620, RSMo, by adding thereto one new section relating to the governor's advisory council on agricultural science and technology.

Be it enacted by the General Assembly of the State of Missouri, as follows:

Section A. Chapter 620, RSMo, is amended by adding thereto one new 2 section, to be known as section 620.1500, to read as follows:

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620.1500. 1. There is hereby created within the department of

- economic development the "Governor's Advisory Council on Agriculture
- 3 Science and Technology". The council shall consist of seven members.
- 4 Two members shall be Missouri farmers, of which one member shall be
- 5 a Missouri grain producer and one member shall be a Missouri
- 6 livestock producer. The members of the council shall be appointed by
- 7 and serve at the pleasure of the governor. The governor shall appoint
- 8 one of the members as chairperson. At the council's discretion, it may
- 9 call upon experts for advice and consultation on the issues in question.
- 2. The council's duties shall include, but not be limited to the following, as they relate to agricultural science and technology:
- 12 (1) Apprising the governor of new developments in the scientific 13 and technological communities;
- 14 (2) Providing scientific inquiry into regulatory matters, upon the 15 governor's request;
- 16 (3) Identifying strengths, weaknesses, and long-term needs of the 17 state regarding science and technology;
- 18 (4) Predicting potential economic opportunities for the state in 19 the plant biotechnology industry; and

- 20 (5) Apprising the governor of new developments in forestry 21 technologies.
- 3. The members of the council shall serve without compensation
- 23 except that the members shall be reimbursed for reasonable travel and
- 24 meeting expenses related to the functions of the council.

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